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SUBJ: CSCE: CYPRIOT PATICIPATION AT STAGE III

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1. TURKISH DEL HEAD (BENLER) HAS ASKED US WHAT WE ARE DOING ABOUT TURKISH DEMARCHE ON CYPRIOT REPRESENTATION AT STAGE III (SEE GENEVA 2113 AND 2324). WE SAID OUR POSITION ON THIS SUBJECT HAD BEEN SUMMARIZED VERY CLEARLY TO TURKISH COUNSELOR IN WASHING ON APRIL 24 (REFTEL) AND THAT IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES THERE WAS VERY LITTLE WE COULD DO. WE ASKED BENLER IF HE COULD NOT WOKR OUT A COMPROMISE WITH GREEKS AND CYPRIOTS WHICH WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO ALL CONCERNED.

2. IN REPLY, BENLER ENLARGED SOMEWHAT ON HIS EARLIER POSITION: TURKS COULD NOT ACCEPT PRESENCE OF MAKARIOS AT ATAGE III, AND CYPRIOT REPRESENTATION WOULD HAVE TO BE "BALANCED" BETWEEN GREEK AND TURKISH CYPRIOT REPRESENT-
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ATIVES. BENLER SAID THAT PERHAPS CLERIDES AND DENKTASH

COULD BOTH GO TO STAGE III, AND COULD "FLIP A COIN" TO
SEE WHO DELIVERS SPEECH, AND WHO SIGNS FOR CYPRUS.
DENKTASH AND CLERIDES COULD AGREE IN ADVANCE ON CONTENT
OF SPEECH.

3. WHILE BENLER DID NOT SAY SO, OUR GUESS -- AND WE
EMPHASIZE THAT IS ONLY A GUESS -- IS THAT TURKS COULD
ACCEPT AN ARRANGMENT UNDER WHICH CYPRIOT DELEGATION AT
STAGE III INCLUDES CLERIDES AND DENKTASH, BUT NOT REPEAT
NOT MAKARIOS, WITH CLERIDES SPEAKING AND SIGNING, AND
ASSURANCE THAT DENKTASH CAN CLEAR SPEECH IN ADVANCE.
MAIN PROBLEM UNDER SUCH A SOLUTION WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE
DISSUADING MAKARIOS FROM GOING TO HELSINKI, AND
WE ARE NOT IN A POSITION TO JUDGE WHETHER THIS IS ADVISABLE,
HOW IT COULD BEST BE DONE, OR WHO SHOULD DO IT.
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